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Applicants : Jan Vanhoof et al.

Group Art Unit 2143

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.183**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

Applicants herein request that the surcharge required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(3)(ii) be waived with regard to the "Petition to Accept an Unintentionally Delayed Claim Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)" filed herewith in the above-identified application.

Applicants submit that the above-identified application is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/592,697, filed January 26, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 6,212,566. Since the above-identified application was filed prior to November 29, 2000, the date 37 C.F.R. § 1.78(a)(2) went into effect, Applicants do not believe the statutory fee is applicable.

In addition, Applicants submit that the transmittal sheet which accompanied the above-identified patent application as originally-filed correctly identified the parent patent application by its application number.

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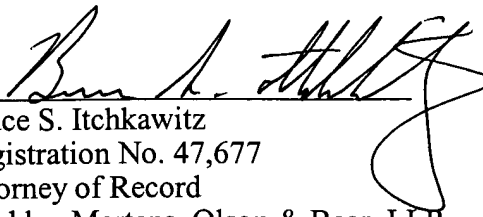
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A petition fee of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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